



NORTH PRECINCT REPORT

The following report includes the results of a series of meetings that were held across the North Precinct over the past several months as part of the Safe Communities Initiative. These meetings gave community members the chance to talk directly with police officers, City of Seattle employees, and each other about how to improve public safety in their neighborhoods. Here are the results of those conversations, which include descriptions of what we're doing at the North Precinct to meet the community's goals for public safety.

Drug Traffic and Related Crimes

What we heard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth crime prevention and education is the top priority in addressing the problem of drug trafficking and related crimes There needs to be more place-based policing and service, along with increased funding for services
What we're doing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passed the Families and Education Levy, which provides funding for extended in-school learning time for struggling students, out-of-school time activities, interventions for social, emotional, and behavioral support, and more (http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/education/edlevy.htm) Passed the Housing Levy, which supports Seattle's long commitment of providing affordable housing (http://www.seattle.gov/news/detail.asp?ID=13313) Expanded our Predictive policing to the North Precinct to reduce crime through deep analysis of crime and location data (http://mayormcginns.seattle.gov/introducing-new-predictive-policing-software/) Prioritized public safety and human services in the Mayor's 2013 budget (http://www.seattle.gov/financedepartment/documents/2013-2014CouncilBudgetPresentation-9-27-12FINAL.pdf) Introduced the Work Readiness Arts, in collaboration with Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative and the Office of Arts and Culture. The Work Readiness Arts is a program that provides up to 70 at-risk youth ages 14 to 18 with summer employment that links arts learning and work experiences (http://www.seattle.gov/mayor/press/newsdetail.asp?ID=13715)
What we will do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will continue to engage businesses and other employers to increase the number of job opportunities, especially during summer, for young people

Low-level Crimes

What we heard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seattle Police Department needs tools to deal with low level crimes, including more interagency collaboration Compliance with Alcohol Impact Area Voluntary Ban The need for graffiti removal
What we're doing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnered with the University of Washington Evans School of Public Affairs on a series of roundtable conversations that focus on addressing low level crimes and looks at potential policy solutions that could be applied city-wide Working with partners on the Alcohol Area Impact Voluntary Ban compliance to help address chronic public inebriation (http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/aia) Tracking quarterly progress on Seattle Public Utilities, Seattle Parks Department, and Seattle Department of Transportation on graffiti removal (http://web1.seattle.gov/dpets/DeptPage.aspx?DeptCode=SPU) Working in the Lake City neighborhood on voluntary alcohol sales ban
What we will do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support work on policy changes that address low level offenses

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore the potential for expansion of the sobering van into the North Precinct
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Homelessness

What we've heard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a need for more resources and education to understand the issues of homelessness Funding for services and community education to help those who are homeless
What we're doing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invested \$30 million a year addressing homelessness that affect families, single adults, and youth (http://www.seattle.gov/mayor/press/newsdetail.asp?id=12766) Proposed expansion of Career Bridge in the Mayor's 2013 budget, a program that helps low-income adults who face barriers to employment find jobs (http://mayormcginn.seattle.gov/career-bridge-project-for-low-income-adults-will-support-job-seekers-who-face-barriers-to-employment) Mayor's Office met with staff from the King County Department of Community and Human Services Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Division to explore how the Affordable Care Act could free up local resources to help fund a sobering van north of the ship canal
What we will do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to work with Councilmember O'Brien's Office on the "Safe Parking Program" a pilot program for car camping at Faith Community organizations. Prioritize funding public safety and human services throughout the budget process

More Police Presence

What we've heard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There's a need for greater police presence equality ability to deter crime and intervene before problems escalate. Provide information about safety concerns like unsafe intersections and residential streets flows quickly between departments
What we're doing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seattle Police Department and Seattle Department of Transportation are coordinating to address information about safety concerns, including unsafe intersections and residential streets in general through multiple initiatives like: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Road Safety Action Plan, which focuses on reducing speeding, distraction, and impairment (http://www.seattle.gov/besupersafe/plan.htm) The School Road Safety Initiative includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A traffic safety analysis of streets near schools and a prioritization framework for improvements Creation of a safety education toolbox that can be used at all schools, building on the "Be Super Safe" road safety outreach campaign A plan for installing more traffic school zone speed cameras and other potential enforcement programs A review of existing legislation and policies related to school traffic safety

	<p>(http://www.seattle.gov/mayor/press/newsdetail.asp?ID=13621)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School Zone Cameras Program is a pilot program that will also utilize ticket revenue for additional safety improvements near schools such as sidewalks, curb bulbs, and other traffic safety tools. The number of speeding motorists in these school zones has been higher than anticipated and the City is extending the warning period by two weeks before issuing actual citations. Two schools in the North Precinct were a part of the pilot program: Broadview-Thompson K-8 School and Olympic View Elementary School (http://mayormcginn.seattle.gov/traffic-safety-cameras-in-school-zones-will-help-keep-kids-safe) • Seattle Police Department is hiring 20 new officers (http://mayormcginn.seattle.gov/revenue-forecast-allows-us-to-hire-20-new-police-officers/)
What we will do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Neighborhood Policing Plan (NPP 2.0) will be updated in 2013-2014 through an analysis of current patrol workload data, staffing analysis, and new deployment maps to determine the optimal number of police officers and how best to use those resources (http://www.seattle.gov/police/programs/NPP.htm)

Residential Burglaries

What we've heard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need for a new precinct headquarters • SPD needs to improve communication with blockwatches • We need to increase resources for blockwatches
What we're doing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The initial work to site, design and build of a new North Precinct police station is under way (http://www.seattle.gov/new-north-precinct-station/budget) • The Seattle Police Department's Public Affairs Office is using social media sites like Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter to keep the community informed. For example, Tweets by Beat and @getyourcarback programs were launched in an effort to keep the community informed and to continue ongoing education and outreach efforts (http://www.seattle.gov/spd2020)
What we will do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with Department of Neighborhoods and Seattle Police Department to develop proposals for the 2014 budget process to provide community members resources that would support neighborhood safety projects. • Seattle Police Department will provide more direct communication with community with precinct level websites • Creating a pilot technology education program through the Seattle Public Library to teach community members how to access and use Seattle Police Department's data and website